## AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

1. (Currently Amended) A product information contrast system which contrasts a plurality of items of product information that contain specifications indicating properties of products, the product information contrast system comprising:

a product information management unit managing the plurality of items of product information of the products including a criterion product;

a threshold setting unit storing a threshold value for the product information items of the criterion product, said threshold value including a percentage value inputted into the threshold setting unit by an administrator and provided to determine whether specifications of the product information items of the criterion product indicate any of a newly set property, an omitted property, and an out-of-range property when compared with specifications of the product information items of other of the products;

a judgment unit determining whether <u>a product property indicated by</u> the specifications in the product information items of the criterion product [[are]] <u>is</u> different from <u>a corresponding product property indicated by</u> specifications in the product information items of at least one of the <u>other</u> products managed by the product information management unit, based on the threshold value received from the threshold setting unit; and

a display control unit generating a visually recognizable alarm display indication of the newly set property, the omitted property, or the out-of-range property in the specifications of the product information items of the criterion product based on results of the determination of the judgment unit.

2. (Original) The product information contrast system according to claim 1 further comprising a selection unit selecting arbitrary one of the product information items of the products, managed by the product information management unit, as being one of the product information items of the criterion product.

3. (Original) The product information contrast system according to claim 1 wherein the display control unit is configured to generate a visually recognizable alarm display indication when the results of the determination of the judgment unit indicate that the specifications of the product

information items of the criterion product are not included in the specifications of the product information items of said at least one of the products.

4. (Original)  The product information contrast system according to claim 1 wherein the display control unit is configured to generate a visually recognizable alarm display indication when the results of the determination of the judgment unit indicate that any specifications other than the specifications of the product information items of the criterion product are included in the product information items of said at least one of the products.

5. (Canceled)

6. (Previously presented)  The product information contrast system according to claim 1 further comprising a display control information management unit managing display control information to control the alarm display indication based on an input threshold value and a predetermined range of the input threshold value,

the display control unit configured to generate the visually recognizable alarm display indication of the newly set property, the omitted property, or the out-of-range property, based on both the results of the determination of the judgment unit and the display control information managed by the display control information management unit.

7. (Currently Amended)  A computer program product for controlling a computer having a product information management unit managing a plurality of items of product information containing specifications indicating properties of products including a criterion product, to perform:

storing a threshold value for the product information items of the criterion product, said threshold value including a percentage value inputted into the threshold setting unit by an administrator and provided to determine whether specifications of the product information items of the criterion product indicate any of a newly set property, an omitted property, and an out-of-range property when compared with specifications of the product information items of other of the products;

determining whether a product property indicated by the specifications in the product information items of the criterion product are is different from a corresponding product property indicated by specifications in the product information items of at least one of the other products managed by the product information management unit, based on the threshold value; and

generating a visually recognizable alarm display indication of the newly set property, the omitted property, or the out-of-range property in the specifications of the product information items of the criterion product based on results of determining whether the specifications in the product information items of the criterion product are different from specifications in the product information items of at least one of the products managed by the product information management unit, based on the threshold value.